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PROPAGATION: Apr 5-10, High Normal; Apr 11, Low Normal; Apr 12, High/Low Normal; Apr 13, High Normal; Apr 14, High/Low Normal; Apr 15, High Normal. TNX N4XX.

Flux (81)	Flux (82)	Flux (83)	Flux (84)	Date	Flux (85)	Alpha (85)	K (85)
184	215	118	123	3/22	76	8	3
189	204	117	124	3/23	78	10	2
185	190	118	116	3/24	80	7	2
200	191	118	114	3/25	79	7	2
204	195	118	112	3/26	77	10	1
198	198	110	121	3/27	75	10	3
204	201	105	130	3/28	74	15	1

SALAD DAYS

VASTLY IMPROVED 20 Meter conditions and continuing excellent propagation on the lower bands, combined with several DXpeditions, are making the first two weeks of April the most interesting in months for DXers.

Although 10 Meters is virtually unusable for long distance work, 15 Meters has rebounded with good transequatorial propagation and some east-west openings as well. It is worth taking a look for long path propagation on 15 around 1200Z for the next month or two.

The reliable 20 Meter springtime upswing in conditions has begun somewhat earlier than usual this year, and the improved conditions can be expected to continue into May, on-and-off. Examples:

Hordes of USSR stations, sporting special WW 2 40th anniversary call signs, populate 20 meters, especially on CW, in both morning and evening. They have been joined by a bevy of Mongolian stations; "JT1AO has been showing almost daily with strong signals over the Pole, and he has been working without the (benefit?) of a list," K9RHY reports. The usual VUs, APs, and assorted other Asian countries are also in on these openings.

The Chinese stations' assigned hours of operation are now coinciding more closely with openings to North America and producing more contacts. "There has been a lot of activity heard from China here in the Chicago area with almost all the known BY stations worked in the past month, all on 20 SSB," K9RHY's report continues.

In addition to appearances by BY5RA, BY1PK, and BY4AA on 20 Meter list operations (14.225 starting at 2300Z), they also have shown on CW and RTTY from 0000 to 0100Z. VE7BC was expected to be operating from some of the Chinese stations just about now, also.

Last word from Jamaica was that the 6Y5NR-led group was on schedule for Navassa, aiming for an April 4 starting gun. They plan to use the call 6Y0NR/KP1. Combine this with Clipperton, followed closely by 3B7 St. Brandon by SMOAGD and LA7XB, and you have activity at a feverish pitch this week.

THE UGANDA operations by DJ6SI and DJ5RT were not cancelled as we had heard...5X5WR came on first, on Mar 28, followed by 5X5BD (DJ6SI) the next day, from the QTH of 5X5GK. Unfortunately, the 5X5GK DXCC status is still in limbo, and only time will tell if the Germans have anything more concrete in the way of paperwork.

WA6VNR was about a week late getting his Pacific operation going. He showed as 5W1FC from W. Samoa March 24, spent several days on Tonga as A35CQ, joining ZL1AMO (A35EA) on the island. Next stop scheduled was Tuvalu, T2CQ, to be followed by Niue and Fiji.

Word of a Cyprus RAF Bases operation by PA0GMM was received too late for advance publicity; Guido began operating as ZC4ZN Mar 28 and continued through the CQ WPX contest last weekend. He was giving out CW contacts on request. QSL to him with the usual honorarium.

The Midway operations by KD7P and NA6T also continued through the WPX weekend, with emphasis outside of the contest on CW and the low bands. Unfortunately, their operating times on 80 and 160 seemed to coincide with openings to the Western reaches rather than the east coast. No word if any Europeans had any luck working this rare one on the low bands.

The Christmas Island operation also began as predicted, with VK9XB hitting the bands Mar 26. K9RHY reports working him at 1345Z on 20 SSB. "He was working Europeans and Asians and took a standby for North Americans," Bob says. "Solid signal on the short path, peaking S9, first working on his own frequency, then going split."

DL7AH/3X is reported intending to continue into May, with low-band emphasis. 3X4EX has already cleaned up much of the demand for Guinea QSOs. Incidentally, 3X4EX (LA2EX) is saying that he is not going to renew his license when it expires in June.

When you read this you will know if the Clipperton operators were able to activate Revillagigedo on their way to FO0XX; they reportedly did get a license at the last minute, and on Mar 30 the FO0XX/MM operator said they expected to be in the vicinity of Revillagigedo around 1900Z; they would make a decision at that time. Also under consideration was a stop at XF4 on the way home from Clipperton.

You can operate from 4U1VIC, the Vienna International Center, says OE3ZOC/NK4N, with little red tape involved. You are asked to contact either John or Dick Olsen, OE1ZOS/K7AWD, both in Vienna. You must have your amateur radio license and identification, preferably a passport, with you, and you can operate only if one of the club members is present. 4U1VIC counts for DXCC the same as Austria.

QSL HELP NEEDED

*By W9DH: FR7AM/G (72), G4AVW/ST3 (83).

*By KC8JX: (VP2KAH (80), ZA2AU (67); 5R8AG (73).

*By AA5C: JT1KAF, AP2MC (80); 6W8IM (80).

THE CONTINUING KENWOOD SAGA

NOTES

Trio-Kenwood in California wrote to say "the very popular TS-930S will remain in our HF transceiver line," contrary to what one of our readers heard when he was in Japan recently. That reader stands by what numerous Japanese radio dealers said. Perhaps Kenwood means that the TS-930S is not discontinued until U.S. dealers have exhausted their stocks of that model.

An excellent summary of the new TS-940S's features by K8HVT appears in the current issue of "Scuttlebutt," the newsletter of the Yankee Clipper Contest Club. Hal was in Japan in mid-February and got details of the new rig but there were none available for him to buy and bring back to the States.

Hal characterizes the 940 as an updated 930, "not an entirely new rig." That would further indicate little need for Kenwood to produce both. The main difference between the two radios is the "LCD dot matrix sub-display." Of the other upgrades, they are by and large simply glitz and glitter, and they add more knobs and buttons to a radio which, in the opinion of many serious operators, already has too many.

Five years ago in The DX Bulletin

(April 10, 1980): We included a response sheet for the First Annual TDXB Countries-Needed Survey. Credit WING for reminding us that the Survey was something others had done in the past and which was worth continuing. Incidentally, the 1985 Survey sheets will be in your hands sometime in the next few weeks.

Your editor was trying out a new antenna and worked 457VZ and 9V1UK on 10 Meters...long path at 0400Z in total darkness! N4HX evacuated Chad as that country entered a long period of civil war. The IDXF was trying to organize an expedition to Bhutan; unfortunately, they ran into a licensing brick wall. A number of expeditions were just beginning or ready to begin that week, including YV0, ST3, and VS5.

15/10

KEY TO BANDPASS:

Callsign;

Frequency;

UTC;

day of month;
state.

PLEASE WRITE OR
PHONE TO REQUEST
REPORT FORMS AND
ENVELOPES; mail
them to TDXB
anytime, or phone:

203-742-7124

(24 hours).

5N8HEM 21319 1715 24 MD
9L1JS 21350 1630 23 OH
A35EA 21280 0021 22 AL
A35EA 21290 2250 19 MA
C53EG 21352 1815 23 MD
CN8EL 21233 1639 23 MD
CN8EL 21233 1640 23 OH
D44BC 21271 1725 24 MD
EL8M 21352 1648 23 MD
TR8DR 21300 1700 23 MD
TR8DR 21300 1620 23 OH
TU2NA 21339 1920 24 OH
VQ9NC 21355 1730 24 MD
VQ9YR 21308 1446 23 MD
VQ9YR 21308 1633 23 OH
VQ9YR 21308 1655 22 MD
ZD7BJ 21272 1720 24 MD

One addition to the Antenna Forum program for the Hamvention is a presentation by Dr. Bill Maxson, N4AR, entitled "Here's how to put up yagi antennas, construction and results." Bill is a professional DXer who moonlights as a surgeon.

K8GG reports that the flea market spaces for the Hamvention have all been sold. Your editor remembers when there was no flea market at the Hamvention. In fact, we remember when the entire affair was held at the downtown Dayton Biltmore hotel! And another thing...it seems there are some problems with reservations at the Stouffer's hotel. It might be prudent to reconfirm if you have a room there.

The Kansas City DX Club will be conducting their usual suite madness at Dayton this year; their club program director is also on the lookout for additional material to add to their collection of video tapes and slide presentations. They currently have the following available for loan to other clubs:

"Contest Night Live" is a 30-minute video contest spoof.

"Tonganoxie Island" is another half-hour video, this one a spoof on DXpeditions.

Three slide/audio presentations include the club's 1983 contest operation from V3, the 1983 K0CS Pacific expedition, and the 1984 XX9CS operation. If you would like to borrow any of these, contact W0JLC. If you have programs to swap with KCDXC, contact K0UAA.

The TDXB Sticker Bank desperately needs transparent DXCC stickers for all levels 290 and above. The Bank exists to provide, when possible, stickers to those who have received the new style opaque stickers and don't want to put them on their certificate. Please dig around in your DXCC records and see if you have some of the transparent stickers to spare.

QSL INFO

3V8PS IN3RZY
4K1F UQ2GAG
5W1FC WA6VNR
9M2HB N4PFN
A35EA ZL1AMO
AP2ZA W6NLQ
C50RCL CT1ASY
C53EK BOX 2596 BANJUL
CN8EL W2PD
CT2CB N2DUR
EA9MY BOX 412, MELILLA
EC9FS EA9IB
EL2CJ JF2QHC
EL8M BOX 707 MONROVIA
EM5BYY UB4YZZ
EM5T UT4UWV
EO0AAK UZ0AWB
EO2QGL UQ1GQF
EO9AYB UZ9YWA
ER3A UZ3AZO
EU1R UR1RWN
EU6D UD7DWA
EV4AS UZ4SWM
EV6TA UZ6TWJ
EV9AW UW9WR
EW2C UC1AWC
EW6AA UZ6AWJ

FM5WE FM7WE
HK5IXK NJ5X
HL4XM BOX 211, KWANGJU 500
HV3SJ IODUD
J39CM WB2LCH
J5WAD W6CNA
J88AQ W2MIG
J99A TI2BR
JT1AO W7PHO
JW6VDA LA5NM
KC6MR/KC6 JJ1TZK
N1AAX/PJ4 K1RIF
N5CJB/5N1 K4ZKG
OX30A OZ1FAO
PYOFNI BOX 4411 RECIFE 50000
TK5UC F5RV
TU4BR KN4F
UA1OT BOX 261 ROVNO
266000 USSR
V2ACW WB4OSN
VQ9NC WA4MQW
VQ9YR KA4SPA
YS9CHE WA0JYJ
ZC4MR G4SDJ
ZC4ZN PA0GMM
ZD7BJ BOX 25 ST HELENA
ZP5XDW N4DW

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3B9CD 1828 1049 20 RI
 3B9CD 1828 0145 20 MA
 4X4NJ 1822 0342 21 VT
 9M2AX 1832 2315 19 PY
 HK1QQ 1832 0230 19 CO
 J88AQ 1831 0236 19 CO
 KH4/
 KD7P 1827 0630 29 AL
 KH4/
 KD7P 1827 1002 29 AL
 KH6CC 1831 0530 24 CO
 KL7GKY 1820 0807 24 AL
 KL7GKY 1820 1023 24 CO
 KL7GKY 1825 1125 23 CO
 KL7GKY 1820 1044 23 VT
 KX6DS 1826 1059 24 RI
 KX6DS 1827 1153 23 AL
 KX6DS 1827 1150 23 CO
 P29P R 1826 0916 18 MA
 P29PR 1826 0900 24 AL
 T30AT 1826 0718 24 AL
 T30AT 1827 0800 20 AL
 T32AF 1826 0455 17 MA
 T32AF 1833 0837 19 AB
 TF3KG 1832 0650 25 RI
 TF3KG 1833 2350 20 MA
 TF3KG 1835 0600 20 AL
 VK0GC 1833 0820 19 AL
 VK0GC 1833 1206 19 AL
 VK6HD 1833 1049 24 RI
 VS6DO 1823 1300 18 CO

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3B8CF 3506 0241 23 FL
 3V8PS 3787 0514 24 CO
 3V8PS 3787 0610 24 MD
 3X/
 DL7AH 3503 0144 24 MA
 3X/
 DL7AH 3502 0230 24 CO
 5N8/
 KC7UU 3790 0410 23 AL
 5N8/
 KC7UU 3790 0325 23 CO
 5N8/
 KC7UU 3503 0225 23 TX
 7X5AB 3787 0600 24 MD
 A35CQ 3802 1042 28 MA
 BY4AA 3795 1218 22 CO
 C21RK 3795 0955 21 CO
 C21RK 3806 1110 25 MA
 C6ADV 3795 0930 24 CO
 CEOAE 3791 0930 23 CO
 CN8EQ 3778 0652 24 MD
 CT2AK 3792 0535 20 CO
 CY0SAB 3784 0146 28 MA
 CY0SAB 3787 0947 28 MA
 D44BS 3778 0653 24 MD
 D44BS 3796 0500 24 CO
 DU9RG 3790 0945 21 CO
 DU9RG 3792 1226 19 MN
 H44IA 3506 1109 28 MA
 H44IA 3797 1210 21 AL
 H44IA 3797 1240 20 WY
 H44IA 3800 1055 24 MA
 HH2MC 3791 0930 23 CO

J39CM 3781 0744 24 MD
 KC6IN 3790 1226 22 AL
 KC6IN 3790 1227 22 CO
 KC6JC 3806 1040 28 MA
 KH2BB 3793 1238 20 WY
 KH2BB 3793 1230 21 CO
 KH2BB 3794 1240 21 MN
 KH2BB 3800 1220 22 CO

KH4/

NA6T 3790 1029 28 MA
 KX6DS 3801 1000 20 CO
 KX6DS 3806 0942 23 NH
 OX3ZM 3789 1015 20 CO
 P29JS 3502 1205 17 CO
 P29JS 3504 1059 23 TX
 P29JS 3505 1130 19 FL
 PY0FNI 3773 0344 24 MA
 PY0FNI 3789 0240 20 NH
 PZ1AP 3505 2338 23 MA
 T77V 3787 0610 24 MD
 T77V 3797 0339 28 MA
 T77V 3798 0322 25 WY
 TF3KG 3505 0800 20 AL
 YN1TA 3788 1044 26 MA
 ZK2IK 3787 1330 24 WY

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3B8CF 7027 0259 21 GA
 3B8CF 7027 0245 23 GA
 3B9CD 7004 0225 23 GA
 3B9CD 7007 0024 21 AL
 3D2CQ 7010 1150 20 GA
 3D2ER 7002 0127 19 MN

3X/

DL7AH 7005 0100 24 CO

3X/

DL7AH 7004 0016 24 AL
 3X4EX 7003 0016 25 AL
 3X4EX 7003 2357 24 FL
 4K1C 7003 1105 28 MA
 4K1F 7005 0420 19 MN
 5B4GA 7002 0019 20 AL
 5W1FC 7002 1108 22 AL
 5W1FC 7003 0615 24 MA
 5W1FC 7009 1152 24 MA
 9V1VB 7009 1600 18 OR
 A35CQ 7004 1109 27 MA
 A35EA 7004 0536 22 GA
 A35EA 7006 1242 22 CO
 A35EA 7009 1250 21 GA
 AH2G 7011 1230 21 AL
 BY1PK 7003 1100 27 MA
 BY4AA 7002 1158 23 CO
 CT3ET 7009 0120 24 CO
 EA9KQ 7002 0019 20 AL
 EA9KQ 7002 0120 19 CO
 EA9KQ 7002 0015 20 CO
 FG5EC 7003 0130 24 CO
 FW8AF 7007 1236 24 OR
 FW8AF 7007 1329 23 CO
 H44IA 7000 0815 24 MD
 J5WAD 7002 0340 22 AL
 J5WAD 7002 0345 22 CO
 J5WAD 7003 0233 22 FL
 JDLZF 7006 1500 20 OR
 JW0EQ 7010 0050 19 MN
 KC6MR 7002 1147 24 MA
 KC6MR 7002 1555 23 OR
 KC6MR 7003 1327 23 CO
 KH4/
 KD7P 7001 1200 29 MA

OX1ER 7005 0052 19 MN
 PY0FNI 7006 0203 21 GA
 PY0FNI 7083 0349 24 MA
 T30AT 7006 0640 24 MA
 TF3KG 7005 0825 20 AL
 V2ACW 7009 1153 20 GA

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1Z9A 14165 1505 23 MD
 1Z9A 14176 1309 24 RI
 1Z9A 14227 1348 24 NH
 3X/
 DL7AH 14021 2310 23 CO
 4X6IF 14046 1805 19 OR
 4Z4DX 14025 0130 24 OR
 5N8ZHN 14195 2241 24 AL
 5X5BD 14027 2100 30 NY
 5X5WR 14180 1900 28 CT
 5Z4DK 14324 1935 24 OH
 7X2LS 14183 2206 24 MA
 8R1RBF 14207 2247 24 AL
 9M2HB 14226 0002 18 MD
 9M2HB 14227 0020 19 MI
 9M2HB 14227 0009 19 NH
 9V1VY 14227 2335 B20 NH
 A35EA 14025 0139 26 GA
 A35EA 14025 0144 21 GA
 A35EA 14025 0236 22 GA
 A71AD 14226 1605 24 CO
 A71AD 14227 1646 20 MI
 AH8A 14226 1802 15 TX
 AP2ZA 14157 Q1413 23 MD
 BY4AA 14201 1253 22 MD
 BY5RA 14023 0000 25 RI
 BY5RA 14029 0150 22 MD
 BY5RA 14054 1234 29 MA
 BY5RA 14226 0050 24 CO
 BY5RA 14227 0009 20 MD
 BY5RA 14226 0115 20 CO
 BY5RA 14226 0030 24 CT
 BY5RA 14226 2330 22 CT
 BY5RA 14227 2310 16
 BY5RA 914045 0012 25 MA
 DU1AU 14216 1346 25 AL
 DU1DBT 14163 2337 21 AL
 DU9RG 14180 1328 21 MD

EA6/

G6ZY 14027 2115 17 AL
 EA6MR 14202 13265 22 AL
 EA9MY 14030 1957 22 MD
 EL2CJ 14029 2344 25 GA
 EL2P 14034 0040 25 GA
 EU1R 14077 1139 26 GA
 EU6D 14043 1305 22 MD
 HL1CG 14026 0015 17 IL
 HL4XM 14027 0025 20 IL
 HL4XM 14026 0030 20 MI
 HL4XM 14028 0018 23 MI
 HL4XM 14027 0041 20 FL
 HV3SJ 14195 2030 23 CO
 hv3sj 14195 1906 22 md
 HV3SJ 14226 1743 23 AL
 HV3SJ 14227 1602 23 MD
 J28CI 14018 2115 24 OR
 JTOAPE 14013 2358 24 MD
 JTOAPE 14014 0020 25 RI
 JTOAPE 14013 0010 25 MA
 JTOAPE 14034 2337 25 FL
 JT1AO 14208 0051 25 MD
 JT1AO 14217 0043 24 WY

JT1AO 14226 0015 22 CO
 JT1AO 14227 0046 21 MD
 JT1AO 14226 0030 21 CO
 JT1AO 14225 0009 18 NH
 JT1BG 14208 0051 25 MD
 JW6VDA 14191 2045 19 MI
 JW6VDA 14227 1615 23 MD
 JY5CI 14227 2233 23 WY
 JY9WR 14152 0045 22 CO
 OD5SH 14247 2330 23 CO
 OX3BJ 14197 0100 25 MD
 OX3BJ 14197 00T45 25 WY
 OX3OA 14034 1308 26 GA
 OX3OA 14035 1850 23 CO
 OX3OB 14030 1745 24 OR
 OX3UD 14034 1550 19 OR
 OY7ML 14005 1331 19 AL
 PY0FNI 14236 0015 25 CO
 RH8AG 14002 1935 22 MD
 T77C 14022 1600 24 CO
 TA2CN 14024 1320 22 MD
 TA2TAT 14024 1448 24 AL
 TR8DR 14214 2309 24 AL
 TR8JYC 14047 2052 24 OR
 TU4BR 14191 2208 17 MD
 UA1OT 14200 2150 24 OR
 UA1OT 14200 2110 24 MD
 UA1POL 14038 0200 17 OR
 UA2FX 14032 1305 21 GA
 UD6BD 14227 1540 23 MD
 UD6DKW 14024 0310 22 OR
 UD6GF 14040 1352 20 AL
 UG6JJ 14006 1610 21 OR
 UG6JJ 14016 1307 24 FL
 UH8BBP 14013 1947 22 MD
 UI8IF 14017 1310 24 FL
 UI9AWD 14044 1530 21 OR
 UI9AWD 14036 1846 23 FL
 UJ8JQC 14227 1557 23 MD
 UJ8XDE 14005 1222 24 FL
 UK8XDE 14019 1630 24 OR
 UL7BX 14024 1206 21 AL
 UL7CAC 14012 0320 22 OR
 UL7GAP 14046 0059 25 GA
 UL7GK 14022 0120 22 OR
 UL7NCL 14030 0135 21 OR
 UL7PEI 14067 1346 24 MD
 UL7XE 14034 1320 21 GA
 UL8BWB 14038 1202 20 GA
 UL8BWB 14043 0205 22 OR
 UL8PMS 14041 0140 22 OR
 UM8MBA 14005 1305 20 AL
 UM8MBA 14010 1312 22 MD
 UM8MIR 14011 1437 24 AL
 UM8ML 14028 0250 22 GA
 UM8HL 14030 0300 22 OR
 V2ACW 14022 2239 25 GA
 VS6DX 14227 2315 21 NH
 VU2DDT 14199 1345 22 MD
 VU2GI 14180 0157 25 WY
 VU200 14189 0154 25 MD
 VU2PNS 14063 1643 24 FL
 VU2PPN 14165 1500 24 MD
 XT2BR 14211 1005 24 CO
 YB0ARB 14265 1325 21 MD
 Y10AY 14219 1331 22 AL
 Y10AY 14215 1317 22 MD
 Y10AY 14235 1850 24 OH
 Y10AY 14240 1700 24 AL
 ZC4M4 14226 1610 24 CO
 ZC4MR 14232 1845 24 OH
 ZC4ZN 14201 1800 28 CT
 ZD8SB 14189 2246 23 AL

CALENDAR

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UGANDA	5X5BD (DJ6SI) and 5X5WR (DJ5RT) began Mar 28; length of stay and DXCC status unknown	CARRIBBEAN	K3UOC/PJ6 Mar 30-Apr1; /PJ5 Apr 2-4; /PJ7 Apr 5-7; /PJ2 Apr 18-20; /PJ3 Apr 20/21; /PJ4 Apr 22/23
CLIPPERTON	FO0XX April 4-11; I274, 281, 282	CYPRUS	Special action ZC4MR, ZC4EPI Apr 6/7
REVILLAGIGEDO	XF4 possible after Clipperton; I282		ZC4MR on lists 14.227/1630Z
MIDWAY	By KD7P, ND6T, continues to Apr 8	RODRIGUES	3B9CD There until June
PACIFIC	WA6VNR has completed 5W1FC and A35CQ; ZK2CQ, 3D2CQ to follow this week	MT ATHOS	Rumored soon by IOSNY
GUINEA	DL7AH/3X rumored continues until June	S GEORGIA	VP8DIS made a few contacts three weeks ago; possible again in April
BURUNDI	Rumored ON5NT will operate 9U5JB April 5-15, no lists, no 160	S SHETLANDS	4K1F there on 40, 20 CW
NAVASSA	6Y5NR/KP1 Apr 4-9	CYPRUS	RAF bases DXCC credit Jun 1; I274
ST BRANDON	3B7 starts April 12, by SMOAGD, LA7XB, 3B8CF, for 1-2 weeks; Issue 281	MOZAMBIQUE	C90A active, no DXCC credit; Issue 281
DJIBOUTI	By KC7UU possible in April	UGANDA	5X5GK active, no DXCC credit
PITCAIRN	DXPress says ZL4DW/VR6AB there for next two months, Saturday best	GUINEA/BISSAU	J5WAD until November
		MACQUARIE	VK0GC likes 75 SSB at 1000Z
CHRISTMAS	VK9XB/XG continue to Apr 9	FIJI	By JH1RNZ Apr 15-23
CRETE	DF3GX/SV9 Mar 30-Apr 13, CW only	CONVENTION	FRESNO, APR 19-21; I271
FRANZ JOSEF	UA1OT and E01AOK both active	HAMVENTION	Apr 26-28, Dayton
CHINA	BY5RA with W7PHO 14.227/0000Z; Issue 282	CONTEST	USSR "M" May 11/12
		CONTEST	CQ WPX CW May 25/26
		VATICAN	Rumored by I5FLN, I8AA end of June

Several readers have responded to our note in Issue 280 by sending their all-time countries-per-band totals, but we need a lot more before publishing an "honor Roll." Mention it to your friends who don't read TDXB and get them to send their numbers in, too.

Our goal is to have a chart of top DXers' band totals, similar to what Don Chesser, W4KVVX, ran in his newsletter two decades ago. We would like to confine the numbers to current DXCC countries. Another thought is to limit the totals to QSOs beginning Jan 1, 1969; that was the starting date for 5-Band DXCC and the point at which many people started keeping track. We would like to have your thoughts on this.

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